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Art Unit: 2756  
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Title: INTEGRATED BUSINESS SYSTEM FOR WEB BASED  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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On page 28, line 1, please delete the phrase "co-pending U.S. Patent Application \_\_\_\_\_ (D#11040)" and insert --U.S. Patent No. 6,115,040-- therefor.

On page 29, lines 14 and 15, please delete the phrase "co-pending Application \_\_\_\_\_ (D#11040)" and insert --U.S. Patent No. 6,115,040 entitled-- therefor.

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On page 59, line 20, please delete the phrase "\_\_\_\_\_ (D#11042)" and insert --09/159,408-- therefor.

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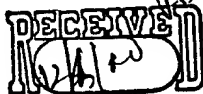
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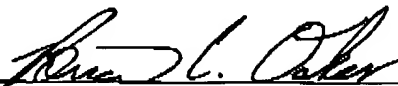
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101	710	201	355	Utility filing fee	
106	320	206	160	Design filing fee	
107	480	207	245	Plant filing fee	
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	

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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209	40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112	820*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	
117	690	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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126	240	126	240	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
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179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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